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I, R. Craig Klem, being duly sworn do hereby state that I am a co-inventor, with Carl R. Poirier, of the above referenced patent application owned by Fairchild Semiconductor.

I am also a co-author of an article, with Chris Siegl of Fairchild Semiconductor, of an article published in April 2000, entitled "Extension of PCI Bus to 21 Slots Using GTLP Transceiver." The article was published in the IEEE SoutheastCon 2000, Nashville, Tennessee on April 7-9, 2000, less than one year prior to the filing date of the subject patent application referenced above.

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I am aware of the contents of that article and the invention claimed in the referenced application. I unequivocally declare that only I and my patent co-inventor Carl R. Poirier conceived of and reduced to practice the invention disclosed in the above application. I unequivocally state that Chris Siegl, the co-author of the above referenced article, did not contribute to the invention as claimed in the patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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